## BLM REALIZATION FOR FROBENIUS-LUSZTIG KERNELS OF TYPE A

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ABSTRACT. The infinitesimal quantum  $\mathfrak{gl}_n$  was realized in [1, §6]. We will realize Frobenius–Lusztig Kernels of type A in this paper.

#### 1. Introduction

In 1990, Ringel discovered the Hall algebra realization [19] of the positive part of the quantum enveloping algebras of finite type. Almost at the same time, the entire quantum  $\mathfrak{gl}_n$  was realized by A. A. Beilinson, G. Lusztig and R. MacPherson in [1]. They first used q-Schur algebras to construct a  $\mathbb{Q}(v)$ -algebra  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$ , and then proved that the quantum enveloping algebra of  $\mathfrak{gl}_n$  over  $\mathbb{Q}(v)$  can be realized as a subalgebra of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$ .

Let  $U_{\ell}(n)$  be the the quantum enveloping algebra of  $\mathfrak{gl}_n$  over  $\ell$  with standard generators  $E_i^{(m)}$ ,  $F_i^{(m)}$ ,  $K_i^{\pm 1}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} K_i;0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $\ell$  is a commutative ring containing a primitive  $\ell$  th root  $\ell$  of 1. Let  $\ell$  chark. For  $\ell$  is 1, let  $\mathfrak{U}_{\ell}(n)_{\ell}$  be the  $\ell$ -subalgebra of  $U_{\ell}(n)$  generated by  $E_i^{(m)}$ ,  $E_i^{(m)}$ , where  $E_i^{(m)}$  is odd, and  $E_i^{(m)}$ ,  $E_i^{(m)}$ , where  $E_i^{(m)}$  is odd, and  $E_i^{(m)}$ , where  $E_i^{(m)}$  is called the infinitesimal quantum  $E_i^{(m)}$ , and the algebra  $E_i^{(m)}$ , is called Frobenius-Lusztig Kernels of  $E_i^{(m)}$ , of  $E_i^{(m)}$ , was realized in  $E_i^{(m)}$ . In this paper, we will realize the algebra  $E_i^{(m)}$ , for all  $E_i^{(m)}$ , was realized in  $E_i^{(m)}$ . In this paper, we will realize the algebra  $E_i^{(m)}$ , for all  $E_i^{(m)}$ , where  $E_i^{(m)}$  in the case where  $E_i^{(m)}$  is even and  $E_i^{(m)}$ , in the case where  $E_i^{(m)}$  is odd, and that  $E_i^{(m)}$ , where  $E_i^{(m)}$  is the case where  $E_i^{(m)}$  is even and  $E_i^{(m)}$  is a field.

Let  $\mathcal{S}_{\ell}(n,r)$  be the q-Schur algebra over  $\ell$ . Certain subalgebra, denoted by  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\ell}(n,r)_h$ , of  $\mathcal{S}_{\ell}(n,r)$  was constructed in [12, §4]. It is proved in [13] that  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\ell}(n,r)_1$  is isomorphic to the little q-Schur algebra introduced in [11, 14]. We will prove in 6.1 that the algebra  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\ell}(n,r)_h$  is a homomorphic image of  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\ell}(n)_h$ .

Infinitesimal q-Schur algebras are certain important subalgebras of q-Schur algebras (cf. [6, 2, 3]). For  $h \ge 1$  let  $\mathbf{s}_{k}(n)_{h}$  be the k-subalgebra of  $U_{k}(n)$  generated by the algebra  $\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{k}(n)_{h}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} K_{j};0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}$   $(1 \le j \le n, t \in \mathbb{N})$ . We will prove in 6.4 that the infinitesimal q-Schur algebra  $\mathbf{s}_{k}(n,r)_{h}$  is a homomorphic image of  $\mathbf{s}_{k}(n)_{h}$ .

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Throughout this paper, let  $\mathcal{Z} = \mathbb{Z}[v, v^{-1}]$  where v is an indeterminate and let  $\mathcal{Q} = \mathbb{Q}(v)$  be the fraction field of  $\mathcal{Z}$ . For  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  let  $[i] = \frac{v^i - v^{-i}}{v - v^{-1}}$ . For integers N, t with  $t \ge 0$ , let

$$\begin{bmatrix} N \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \frac{[N][N-1]\cdots[N-t+1]}{[t]!} \in \mathcal{Z}$$

where  $[t]! = [1][2] \cdots [t]$ . For  $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n$  let  $\begin{bmatrix} \mu \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \lambda_1 \end{bmatrix} \cdots \begin{bmatrix} \mu_n \\ \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$ .

Let k be a commutative ring containing a primitive l'th root  $\varepsilon$  of 1 with  $l' \ge 1$ . Let  $l \ge 1$  be defined by

$$l = \begin{cases} l' & \text{if } l' \text{ is odd,} \\ l'/2 & \text{if } l' \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

Let p be the characteristic of k. We will regard k as a  $\mathcal{Z}$ -module by specializing v to  $\varepsilon$ . When v is specialized to  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} c \\ t \end{bmatrix}$  specialize to the element  $\begin{bmatrix} c \\ t \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$  in  $\xi$ .

# 2. The BLM construction of quantum $\mathfrak{gl}_n$

Following [16] we define the quantum enveloping algebra  $U_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$  of  $\mathfrak{gl}_n$  to be the  $\mathbb{Q}(v)$ -algebra with generators

$$E_i, F_i \quad (1 \le i \le n-1), K_j, K_j^{-1} \quad (1 \le j \le n)$$

and relations

- (a)  $K_i K_i = K_i K_i$ ,  $K_i K_i^{-1} = 1$ ;
- (b)  $K_i E_i = v^{\delta_{i,j} \delta_{i,j+1}} E_i K_i$ ;
- (c)  $K_i F_i = v^{\delta_{i,j+1} \delta_{i,j}} F_i K_i$ ;
- (d)  $E_i E_j = E_j E_i$ ,  $F_i F_j = F_j F_i$  when |i j| > 1; (e)  $E_i F_j F_j E_i = \delta_{i,j} \frac{\widetilde{K}_i \widetilde{K}_i^{-1}}{v v^{-1}}$ , where  $\widetilde{K}_i = K_i K_{i+1}^{-1}$ ;
- (f)  $E_i^2 E_i (v + v^{-1}) E_i E_j E_i + E_j E_i^2 = 0$  when |i j| = 1;
- (g)  $F_i^2 F_j (v + v^{-1}) F_i F_j F_i + F_j F_i^2 = 0$  when |i j| = 1.

Following [17], let  $U_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$  be the  $\mathcal{Z}$ -subalgebra of  $U_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$  generated by all  $E_i^{(m)}$ ,  $F_i^{(m)}$ ,  $K_i^{\pm 1}$ and  $\begin{bmatrix} K_i;0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}$ , where for  $m,t \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$E_i^{(m)} = \frac{E_i^m}{[m]!}, \ F_i^{(m)} = \frac{F_i^m}{[m]!}, \ \text{and} \ \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \prod_{s=1}^t \frac{K_i v^{-s+1} - K_i^{-1} v^{s-1}}{v^s - v^{-s}}.$$

Let  $\Theta(n)$  be the set of all  $n \times n$  matrices over  $\mathbb{N}$ . Let  $\Theta^{\pm}(n)$  be the set of all  $A \in \Theta(n)$  whose diagonal entries are zero. Let  $\Theta^+(n)$  (resp.  $\Theta^-(n)$ ) be the subset of  $\Theta(n)$  consisting of those matrices  $(a_{i,j})$  with  $a_{i,j} = 0$  for all  $i \ge j$  (resp.  $i \le j$ ). For  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$ , write  $A = A^+ + A^-$  with  $A^+ \in \Theta^+(n)$  and  $A^- \in \Theta^-(n)$ . For  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$  let

$$E^{(A^+)} = \prod_{\substack{i \leqslant s < j \\ 1 \leqslant i, j \leqslant n}} E_s^{(a_{ij})}, \quad F^{(A^-)} = \prod_{\substack{j \leqslant s < i \\ 1 \leqslant i, j \leqslant n}} F_s^{(a_{i,j})}$$

where the ordering of the products is the same as in [1, 3.9]. According to [17, 4.5] and [18, 7.8] we have the following result.

Proposition 2.1. The set

$$\{E^{(A^+)} \prod_{1 \le i \le n} K_i^{\delta_i} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ \lambda_i \end{bmatrix} F^{(A^-)} \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n), \, \delta, \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n, \, \delta_i \in \{0, 1\}, \, \forall i\}$$

forms a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis of  $U_{\mathbb{Z}}(n)$ .

Using the stabilization property of the multiplication of q-Schur algebras, an important algebra  $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$  over  $\mathcal{Z}$  (without 1), with basis  $\{[A] \mid A \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)\}$  was constructed in [1, 4.5], where  $\widetilde{\Theta}(n) = \{(a_{ij}) \in M_n(\mathbb{Z}) \mid a_{ij} \geq 0 \ \forall 1 \leq i \neq j \leq n\}.$ 

Following [1, 5.1], let  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$  be the vector space of all formal  $\mathbb{Q}(v)$ -linear combinations  $\sum_{A \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)} \beta_A[A]$  satisfying the following property: for any  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ ,

(2.1.1) 
$$\{A \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n) \mid \beta_A \neq 0, \text{ ro}(A) = \mathbf{x} \}$$
 are finite, 
$$\{A \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n) \mid \beta_A \neq 0, \text{ co}(A) = \mathbf{x} \}$$

where  $\operatorname{ro}(A) = (\sum_j a_{1,j}, \cdots, \sum_j a_{n,j})$  and  $\operatorname{co}(A) = (\sum_i a_{i,1}, \cdots, \sum_i a_{i,n})$  are the sequences of row and column sums of A. The product of two elements  $\sum_{A \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)} \beta_A[A]$ ,  $\sum_{B \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)} \gamma_B[B]$  in  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$  is defined to be  $\sum_{A,B} \beta_A \gamma_B[A] \cdot [B]$  where  $[A] \cdot [B]$  is the product in  $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$ . Then  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$  becomes an associative algebra over  $\mathbb{Q}(v)$ .

For  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n$  let

$$A(\delta, \lambda) = \sum_{\mu \in \mathbb{Z}^n} v^{\mu \cdot \delta} \begin{bmatrix} \mu \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} [A + \operatorname{diag}(\mu)] \in \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n);$$
$$A(\delta) = \sum_{\mu \in \mathbb{Z}^n} v^{\mu \cdot \delta} [A + \operatorname{diag}(\mu)] \in \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n),$$

where  $\mu \cdot \delta = \sum_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant n} \mu_i \delta_i$ .

The next result is proved in [1, 5.5,5.7].

**Theorem 2.2.** There is an injective algebra homomorphism  $\varphi: U_{\mathcal{Q}}(n) \to \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$  satisfying

$$E_i \mapsto E_{i,i+1}(\mathbf{0}), \ K_1^{j_1} K_2^{j_2} \cdots K_n^{j_n} \mapsto 0(\mathbf{j}), \ F_i \mapsto E_{i+1,i}(\mathbf{0}).$$

Furthermore the set  $\{A(\mathbf{j}) \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n), \ \mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{Z}^n\}$  forms a  $\mathbb{Q}(v)$ -basis for  $\varphi(U_{\mathbb{Q}}(n))$ .

We shall identify  $U_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$  with  $\varphi(U_{\mathcal{Q}}(n))$ . According to [15, 4.2,4.3,4.4], we have the following result.

**Proposition 2.3.** The algebra  $U_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$  is generated as a  $\mathcal{Z}$ -module by the elements  $A(\delta, \lambda)$  for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n$ . Furthermore, each of the following set forms a  $\mathcal{Z}$ -basis for  $U_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$ :

- (1)  $\{A(\mathbf{0})0(\delta,\lambda) \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n), \, \delta,\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n, \, \delta_i \in \{0,1\}, \forall i\};$
- (2)  $\{A(\delta,\lambda) \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n), \, \delta,\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n, \, \delta_i \in \{0,1\}, \forall i\}.$

We end this section by recalling an important triangular relation in  $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$ . For  $A = (a_{s,t}) \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)$  let

$$\sigma_{i,j}(A) = \begin{cases} \sum_{s \leqslant i; t \geqslant j} a_{s,t} & \text{if } i < j \\ \sum_{s \geqslant i; t \leqslant j} a_{s,t} & \text{if } i > j. \end{cases}$$

Following [1], for  $A, B \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)$ , define  $B \leq A$  if and only if  $\sigma_{i,j}(B) \leq \sigma_{i,j}(A)$  for all  $i \neq j$ . Put  $B \prec A$  if  $B \leq A$  and  $\sigma_{i,j}(B) < \sigma_{i,j}(A)$  for some  $i \neq j$ .

According to [1, 5.5(c)], for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  the following triangular relation holds in  $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$ :

(2.3.1) 
$$E^{(A^+)}[\operatorname{diag}(\lambda)]F^{(A^-)} = [A + \operatorname{diag}(\lambda - \sigma(A))] + f$$

where  $\sigma(A) = (\sigma_1(A), \dots, \sigma_n(A))$  with  $\sigma_i(A) = \sum_{j < i} (a_{i,j} + a_{j,i})$  and f is a finite  $\mathbb{Z}$ -linear combination of [B] with  $B \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)$  such that  $B \prec A$ .

3. The algebra 
$$\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(n)_h$$

Let  $U_{\ell}(n) = U_{\mathcal{Z}}(n) \otimes_{\mathcal{Z}} \ell$ . We shall denote the images of  $E_i^{(m)}$ ,  $F_i^{(m)}$ ,  $A(\delta, \lambda)$ , etc. in  $U_{\ell}(n)$  by the same letters. For  $h \geqslant 1$  let  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\ell}(n)_h$  be the  $\ell$ -subalgebra of  $U_{\ell}(n)$  generated by the elements  $E_i^{(m)}$ ,  $F_i^{(m)}$ ,  $K_j^{\pm 1}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} K_j;0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}$  for  $1 \leqslant i \leqslant n-1$ ,  $1 \leqslant j \leqslant n$  and  $0 \leqslant m,t < lp^{h-1}$ . If l' is an odd number, we let

$$(3.0.2) u_{k}(n)_{h} = \widetilde{u}_{k}(n)_{h}/\langle K_{1}^{l} - 1, \cdots, K_{n}^{l} - 1 \rangle.$$

The algebra  $\mathfrak{u}_{\ell}(n)_h$  is called Frobenius–Lusztig Kernels of  $U_{\ell}(n)$ . We will construct several  $\ell$ -bases for  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\ell}(n)_h$  in 3.7.

We need some preparation before proving 3.7.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $m = m_0 + lm_1$ ,  $0 \le m_0 \le l - 1$ ,  $m_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$\begin{bmatrix} m \\ t \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{l(t_1 l - t_1 m_0 - t m_1)} \begin{bmatrix} m_0 \\ t_0 \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ t_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

for  $0 \leqslant t \leqslant m$ , where  $t = t_0 + lt_1$  with  $0 \leqslant t_0 \leqslant l - 1$  and  $t_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Lemma 3.2.** The following identity hold in the field  $k : {m+p^{h-1} \choose s} = {m \choose s}$  for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $0 \le s < p^{h-1}$ .

*Proof.* We consider the polynomial ring k[x,y]. Since the characteristic of k is p we see that

$$\sum_{0 \le j \le p^{h-1}} \binom{p^{h-1}}{j} x^j y^{p^{h-1}-j} = (x+y)^{p^{h-1}} = x^{p^{h-1}} + y^{p^{h-1}}.$$

It follows that  $\binom{p^{h-1}}{j} = 0$  for  $0 < j < p^{h-1}$ . This implies that

$$\binom{m+p^{h-1}}{s} = \sum_{0 \leqslant j \leqslant s} \binom{p^{h-1}}{j} \binom{m}{s-j} = \binom{m}{s}$$

for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $0 \leqslant s < p^{h-1}$ .

We now generalize 3.2 to the quantum case.

**Lemma 3.3.** Assume  $0 \le a < lp^{h-1}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then we have  $\begin{bmatrix} b+lp^{h-1} \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{-alp^{h-1}} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$ . In particular, we have  $\begin{bmatrix} b+l'p^{h-1} \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$ 

*Proof.* We write  $a = a_0 + a_1 l$  and  $b = b_0 + b_1 l$  with  $0 \le a_0, b_0 < l$ ,  $a_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $b_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $b \in \mathbb{N}$ , then by 3.1 and 3.2 we conclude that

$$\begin{bmatrix} b + lp^{h-1} \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{-alp^{h-1}} \varepsilon^{l(a_1l - a_1b_0 - a_1b_1l - a_0b_1)} \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 + p^{h-1} \\ a_1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \varepsilon^{-alp^{h-1}} \varepsilon^{l(a_1l - a_1b_0 - a_1b_1l - a_0b_1)} \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ a_1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \varepsilon^{-alp^{h-1}} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}.$$

Furthermore if  $b + lp^{h-1} < 0$ , then  $-b + a - 1 - lp^{h-1} \ge 0$  and hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} b+lp^{h-1} \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = (-1)^a \begin{bmatrix} -b+a-1-lp^{h-1} \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = (-1)^a \varepsilon^{alp^{h-1}} \begin{bmatrix} -b+a-1 \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{-alp^{h-1}} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}.$$

Now we assume  $-lp^{h-1} \leq b < 0$ . According to 3.1 we have

(3.3.1) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} b + lp^{h-1} \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{-alp^{h-1}} \varepsilon^{l(a_1l - a_1b_0 - ab_1)} \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ a_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If  $a_0 - b_0 - 1 \ge 0$  then  $\begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = (-1)^{a_0} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 - b_0 - 1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = 0$  and hence, by 3.1 and (3.3.1), we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = (-1)^a \begin{bmatrix} l(a_1 - b_1) + (a_0 - b_0 - 1) \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$$

$$= (-1)^a \varepsilon^{l(a_1 l - a_1(a_0 - b_0 - 1) - a(a_1 - b_1))} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 - b_0 - 1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 - b_1 \\ a_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 0$$

$$= \varepsilon^{alp^{h-1}} \begin{bmatrix} b + lp^{h-1} \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}.$$

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Now we assume  $-lp^{h-1} \le b < 0$  and  $a_0 - b_0 - 1 < 0$ . Then  $a_1 - b_1 - 1 \ge 0$  and  $0 \le l + a_0 - b_0 - 1 < l$ . According to 3.1 we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = (-1)^{a} \begin{bmatrix} -b+a-1 \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$$

$$= (-1)^{a} \begin{bmatrix} l(a_{1}-b_{1}-1)+(l+a_{0}-b_{0}-1) \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$$

$$= (-1)^{a} \varepsilon^{l(-a_{1}(a_{0}-b_{0}-1)-a(a_{1}-b_{1}-1))} \begin{bmatrix} l+a_{0}-b_{0}-1 \\ a_{0} \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{pmatrix} a_{1}-b_{1}-1 \\ a_{1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (-1)^{a_{1}l+a_{1}} \varepsilon^{l(-a_{1}(a_{0}-b_{0}-1)-a(a_{1}-b_{1}-1))} \begin{bmatrix} b_{0}-l \\ a_{0} \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{pmatrix} b_{1} \\ a_{1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $0 \le a_0 < l$  and  $[m+l]_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{-l}[m]_{\varepsilon}$  we see that  $\begin{bmatrix} b_0 - l \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} = \varepsilon^{a_0 l} \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$ . This implies that

(3.3.2) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = (-1)^{a_1 l + a_1} \varepsilon^{l(a_0 - a_1(a_0 - b_0 - 1) - a(a_1 - b_1 - 1))} \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ a_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Furthermore since  $\varepsilon^{2l} = 1$  and  $(a_1^2l - a_1) - (a_1l + a_1) = -2a_1 + la_1(a_1 - 1)$  is even, we see that

$$\frac{\varepsilon^{l(a_1l - a_1b_0 - ab_1)}}{\varepsilon^{l(a_0 - a_1(a_0 - b_0 - 1) - a(a_1 - b_1 - 1))}} = \varepsilon^{l(-2ab_1 - 2a_1b_0 - 2a_0 + 2a_0a_1)} \varepsilon^{l(a_1^2l - a_1)}$$
$$= \varepsilon^{l(a_1^2l - a_1)} = \varepsilon^{l(a_1l + a_1)} = (-1)^{a_1(l+1)}.$$

Thus by (3.3.1) and (3.3.2) we conclude that  $\begin{bmatrix} b+lp^{h-1}\\a\end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}=\varepsilon^{-alp^{h-1}}\begin{bmatrix} b\\a\end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$ . The proof is completed.

Corollary 3.4. Assume  $0 \le a, b < lp^{h-1}$  and  $a + b \ge lp^{h-1}$ . Then  $\begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = 0$ .

*Proof.* According to 3.3 we have  $\begin{bmatrix} a+b \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon^{-alp^{h-1}} \begin{bmatrix} a+b-lp^{h-1} \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$ . Since  $0 \leqslant a+b-lp^{h-1} < a$ , we see that  $\begin{bmatrix} a+b-lp^{h-1} \\ a \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = 0$ . The assertion follows.

Let  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}^{0}(n)_{h}$  be the k-subalgebra of  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}(n)_{h}$  generated by  $K_{j}^{\pm 1}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} K_{j};0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}$  for  $1 \leqslant j \leqslant n$  and  $0 \leqslant t < lp^{h-1}$ . For  $h \geqslant 1$  let

$$\mathbb{N}_{lp^{h-1}}^n = \{ \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n \mid 0 \leqslant \lambda_i < lp^{h-1}, \, \forall i \}.$$

**Lemma 3.5.** The set  $\mathfrak{M}^0 = \{\prod_{1 \leq i \leq n} K_i^{\delta_i} {K_i \choose \lambda_i} \mid \delta \in \mathbb{N}^n, \, \delta_i \in \{0,1\}, \, \lambda \in \mathbb{N}_{lp^{h-1}}^n \}$  forms a k-basis for  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_k^0(n)_h$ .

Proof. Let  $V_1 = \operatorname{span}_{\ell} \mathfrak{M}^0$ . From 2.1, we see that the set  $\mathfrak{M}^0$  is linearly independent. Thus it is enough to prove that  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\ell}^0(n)_h = V_1$ . Let  $V_2$  be the  $\ell$ -submodule of  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\ell}^0(n)_h$  spanned by the elements  $\prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant n} K_i^{\delta_i} {K_i;0 \brack \lambda_i} (\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n, \ \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n, \ 0 \leqslant \lambda_i < lp^{h-1}$ , for all i). According to [17, 2.3(g8)], for  $0 \leqslant t, t' < lp^{h-1}$  we have

$$\varepsilon^{t't} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t + t' \\ t \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t + t' \end{bmatrix} - \sum_{0 < j \le t'} (-1)^j \varepsilon^{t(t'-j)} \begin{bmatrix} t + j - 1 \\ j \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} K_i^j \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t' - j \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that by 3.4 we have  $\begin{bmatrix} t+t' \\ t \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{bmatrix} K_i;0 \\ t+t' \end{bmatrix} = 0$  for  $0 \leqslant t,t' < lp^{h-1}$  with  $t+t' \geqslant lp^{h-1}$ . Thus, by induction on t' we see that  $\begin{bmatrix} K_i;0 \\ t' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_i;0 \\ t \end{bmatrix} \in V_2$  for  $0 \leqslant t,t' < lp^{h-1}$ . It follows that  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}^{0}(n)_h = V_2$ . Furthermore, by the proof of [17, 2.14], for  $m \geqslant 0$  and  $0 \leqslant t < lp^{h-1}$  we have

$$\begin{split} K_i^{m+2} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix} &= \varepsilon^t (\varepsilon^{t+1} - \varepsilon^{-t-1}) K_i^{m+1} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t+1 \end{bmatrix} + \varepsilon^{2t} K_i^m \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}, \\ K_i^{-m-1} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix} &= -\varepsilon^{-t} (\varepsilon^{t+1} - \varepsilon^{-t-1}) K_i^{-m} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t+1 \end{bmatrix} + \varepsilon^{-2t} K_i^{-m+1} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}. \end{split}$$

If  $t+1=lp^{h-1}$ , then  $\varepsilon^t(\varepsilon^{t+1}-\varepsilon^{-t-1})K_i^{m+1}{K_i^{i;0}} = -\varepsilon^{-t}(\varepsilon^{t+1}-\varepsilon^{-t-1})K_i^{-m}{K_i^{i;0}} = 0$ . Thus by induction on  $m \ge 0$  we see that  $K_i^{\pm m}{K_i^{i;0}} \in V_1$  for  $0 \le t < lp^{h-1}$ . This implies that  $V_1 = V_2$ . The assertion follows.

We are now ready to prove 3.7. Let  $\Theta^{\pm}(n)_h = \{A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n) \mid 0 \leqslant a_{s,t} < lp^{h-1}, \forall s \neq t\}.$ 

**Lemma 3.6.** The algebra  $\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{k}(n)_{h}$  is generated as a k-module by the elements  $A(\delta, \lambda)$  for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_{h}$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^{n}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^{n}_{ln^{h-1}}$ .

Proof. Let  $V_h$  be the  $\mathcal{K}$ -submodule of  $U_{\mathcal{K}}(n)$  spanned by  $A(\delta, \lambda)$  for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}$ . According to [15, 3.5(1)] for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$ ,  $0 \leq m < lp^{h-1}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}$ , we have

$$(mE_{i,i+1})(\mathbf{0})A(\delta,\lambda)$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{t} \in \Lambda(n,m), \ 0 \leq j \leq \lambda_{i} \\ t_{u} \leq a_{i+1,u}, \ \forall u \neq i+1 \\ 0 \leq k \leq \lambda_{i+1}, \ 0 \leq c \leq \min\{t_{i,j}\}} f_{j,c,k}^{\mathbf{t}} \left(A + \sum_{u \neq i} t_{u}E_{i,u} - \sum_{u \neq i+1} t_{u}E_{i+1,u}\right) (\delta + \alpha_{j,c,k}^{\mathbf{t}}, \lambda + \beta_{j,c,k}^{\mathbf{t}}).$$

where  $\alpha_{j,c,k}^{\mathbf{t}} = \left(\sum_{i>u} t_u + \lambda_i - j - c\right) \mathbf{e}_i + \left(\lambda_{i+1} - k - \sum_{i+1>u} t_u\right) \mathbf{e}_{i+1}, \ \beta_{j,c,k}^{\mathbf{t}} = (t_i + j - c - \lambda_i) \mathbf{e}_i + (k - \lambda_{i+1}) \mathbf{e}_{i+1}$  with  $\mathbf{e}_i = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0 \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{N}^n$ , and

$$f_{j,c,k}^{\mathbf{t}} = \varepsilon^{g_{j,k}^{\mathbf{t}}} \prod_{u \neq i} \begin{bmatrix} a_{i,u} + t_u \\ t_u \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{bmatrix} -t_i \\ \lambda_i - j \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{bmatrix} t_i + j - c \\ t_i \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{bmatrix} t_i \\ c \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \begin{bmatrix} t_{i+1} \\ \lambda_{i+1} - k \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$$

with  $g_{j,k}^{\mathbf{t}} = \sum_{j>u,j\neq i} a_{i,j}t_u - \sum_{j>u,j\neq i+1} a_{i+1,j}t_u + \sum_{u'\neq i,i+1,u< u'} t_ut_{u'} - t_i\delta_i + t_{i+1}\delta_{i+1} + 2jt_i - kt_{i+1}$ . If  $A + \sum_{u\neq i} t_u E_{i,u} - \sum_{u\neq i+1} t_u E_{i+1,u} \notin \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$  then  $a_{i,u} + t_u \geqslant lp^{h-1}$  for some  $u \neq i$ . From 3.4 we see that  $\begin{bmatrix} a_{i,u}+t_u \\ t_u \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = 0$  and hence  $f_{j,c,k}^{\mathbf{t}} = 0$ . Furthermore, if  $\lambda + \beta_{j,c,k}^{\mathbf{t}} \notin \mathbb{N}_{lp^{h-1}}^n$  then  $(\lambda + \beta_{j,c,k}^t)_i = t_i + j - c \geqslant lp^{h-1}$ . From 3.4 we see that  $\begin{bmatrix} t_i+j-c \\ t_i \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = 0$  and hence  $f_{j,c,k}^{\mathbf{t}} = 0$ . Thus we conclude that

$$(3.6.1) (mE_{i,i+1})(\mathbf{0})V_h \subseteq V_h,$$

for  $0 \le m < lp^{h-1}$  and  $1 \le i \le n-1$ . Similarly, using [15, 3.4,3.5(2)] we see that

(3.6.2) 
$$(mE_{i+1,i})(\mathbf{0})V_h \subseteq V_h \text{ and } 0(\gamma,\mu)V_h \subseteq V_h$$

for  $0 \le m < lp^{h-1}$ ,  $1 \le i \le n-1$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}$ . Combining (3.6.1) with (3.6.2) implies that

$$(3.6.3) \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{k}(n)_{h} \subseteq \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{k}(n)_{h} V_{h} \subseteq V_{h}.$$

On the other hand, from [15, 3.4] we see that for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}_{ln^{h-1}}^n$ ,

$$(3.6.4) A(\mathbf{0})0(\delta,\lambda) = \varepsilon^{\operatorname{co}(A)\cdot(\delta+\lambda)}A(\delta,\lambda) + \sum_{\mathbf{j}\in\mathbb{N}^n,\mathbf{0}<\mathbf{j}\leqslant\lambda} \varepsilon^{\operatorname{co}(A)\cdot(\delta+\lambda-\mathbf{j})} \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{co}(A) \\ \mathbf{j} \end{bmatrix} A(\delta-\mathbf{j},\lambda-\mathbf{j}).$$

This implies that

$$(3.6.5) V_h = \operatorname{span}_{\delta} \{ A(\mathbf{0}) 0(\delta, \lambda) \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h, \ \delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n, \ \lambda \in \mathbb{N}_{ln^{h-1}}^n \}.$$

Furthermore, combining (2.3.1) with 2.3 shows that for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}_{ln^{h-1}}^n$ ,

$$E^{(A^+)}F^{(A^-)}\prod_{1 \le i \le n} K_i^{\delta_i} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ \lambda_i \end{bmatrix} = E^{(A^+)}F^{(A^-)}0(\delta, \lambda) = A(\mathbf{0})0(\delta, \lambda) + f$$

where f is a k-linear combination of  $B(\mathbf{0})0(\gamma,\mu)$  with  $B \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$ ,  $B \prec A$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}^n$ . From (3.6.3) and (3.6.5) we see that f must be a k-linear combination of  $B(\mathbf{0})0(\gamma,\mu)$  with  $B \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$ ,  $B \prec A$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}$ . Thus we conclude that (3.6.6)

$$V_h = \operatorname{span}_{\ell} \left\{ E^{(A^+)} F^{(A^-)} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq n} K_i^{\delta_i} \begin{bmatrix} K_i; 0 \\ \lambda_i \end{bmatrix} \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h, \ \delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n, \ \lambda \in \mathbb{N}_{lp^{h-1}}^n \right\} \subseteq \widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\ell}(n)_h.$$

The assertion follows.  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 3.7.** Each of the following set forms a k-basis for  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_k(n)_h$ :

- $(1) \ \mathfrak{M} := \{ E^{(A^+)} \prod_{1 \leqslant i \leqslant n} K_i^{\delta_i} {K_i \choose \lambda_i} F^{(A^-)} \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h, \, \delta \in \mathbb{N}^n, \, \delta_i \in \{0,1\}, \, \forall i, \, \lambda \in \mathbb{N}_{lp^{h-1}}^n \};$
- $(2) \ \mathfrak{B} := \{ A(\delta, \lambda) \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h, \ \delta \in \mathbb{N}^n, \ \delta_i \in \{0, 1\}, \ \forall i, \ \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}} \};$
- (3)  $\mathfrak{B}' := \{A(\mathbf{0})0(\delta,\lambda) \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h, \delta \in \mathbb{N}^n, \delta_i \in \{0,1\}, \forall i, \lambda \in \mathbb{N}_{ln^{h-1}}^n\}.$

Proof. According to 2.1 and 2.3, it is enough to prove that  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}(n)_{h} = \operatorname{span}_{k} \mathfrak{M} = \operatorname{span}_{k} \mathfrak{B} = \operatorname{span}_{k} \mathfrak{B}'$ . From 3.5, 3.6, (3.6.5) and (3.6.6) we see that  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}(n)_{h} = \operatorname{span}_{k} \mathfrak{M} = \operatorname{span}_{k} \mathfrak{B}'$ . For  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_{h}$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^{n}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^{n}_{lp^{h-1}}$  we have

$$A(\delta,\lambda) = \varepsilon^{\lambda_i} (\varepsilon^{\lambda_i+1} - v^{-\lambda_i-1}) A(\delta - \mathbf{e}_i, \lambda + \mathbf{e}_i) + \varepsilon^{2\lambda_i} A(\delta - 2\mathbf{e}_i, \lambda)$$
$$= -\varepsilon^{-\lambda_i} (\varepsilon^{\lambda_i+1} - \varepsilon^{-\lambda_i-1}) A(\delta + \mathbf{e}_i, \lambda + \mathbf{e}_i) + \varepsilon^{-2\lambda_i} A(\delta + 2\mathbf{e}_i, \lambda)$$

Note that if  $\lambda_i + 1 = lp^{h-1}$  then  $\varepsilon^{\lambda_i}(\varepsilon^{\lambda_i+1} - v^{-\lambda_i-1})A(\delta - \mathbf{e}_i, \lambda + \mathbf{e}_i) = -\varepsilon^{-\lambda_i}(\varepsilon^{\lambda_i+1} - \varepsilon^{-\lambda_i-1})A(\delta + \mathbf{e}_i, \lambda + \mathbf{e}_i) = 0$ . This together with 3.6 shows that  $\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{k}(n)_h = \operatorname{span}_{k} \mathfrak{B}$ .

4. The algebra 
$$\mathcal{K}'(n)_h$$

We will construct the algebra  $\mathcal{K}'(n)_h$  in this section. We will prove in 5.5 the algebra  $\mathcal{K}'(n)_h$  is the realization of  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_k(n)_h$ .

Let  $\mathcal{K}_{\xi}(n) = \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n) \otimes_{\mathcal{Z}} \xi$ , where  $\xi$  is regarded as a  $\mathcal{Z}$ -module by specializing v to  $\varepsilon$ . For  $A \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)$  let

$$[A]_{\varepsilon} = [A] \otimes 1 \in \mathcal{K}_{k}(n).$$

Let  $\widetilde{\Theta}(n)_h$  be the set of all  $A = (a_{i,j}) \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)$  such that  $a_{i,j} < lp^{h-1}$  for all  $i \neq j$ . We will denote by  $\mathcal{K}(n)_h$  the k-submodule of  $\mathcal{K}_k(n)$  spanned by the elements  $[A]_{\varepsilon}$  with  $A \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)_h$ .

To construct the algebra  $\mathcal{K}'(n)_h$  we need the following lemma (cf. [1, 6.2] and [14, 5.1]).

**Lemma 4.1.** (1)  $\mathcal{K}(n)_h$  is a subalgebra of  $\mathcal{K}_k(n)$ . It is generated by  $[mE_{h,h+1} + \operatorname{diag}(\lambda)]_{\varepsilon}$  and  $[mE_{h+1,h} + \operatorname{diag}(\lambda)]_{\varepsilon}$  for  $0 \leq m < lp^{h-1}$ ,  $1 \leq h \leq n-1$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

(2) Let D be any diagonal matrix in  $\widetilde{\Theta}(n)$ . The map  $\tau_D : \mathscr{K}(n)_h \to \mathscr{K}(n)_h$  given by  $[A]_{\varepsilon} \to [A + l'p^{h-1}D]_{\varepsilon}$  is an algebra homomorphism.

Proof. Let  $A = (a_{s,t}) \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)_h$  and  $0 \leq m < lp^{h-1}$ . Assume that  $B = (b_{s,t}) \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)_h$  is such that  $B - mE_{i,i+1}$  is a diagonal matrix such that co(B) = ro(A). According to [1, 4.6(a)] we have

$$[B]_{\varepsilon} \cdot [A]_{\varepsilon} = \sum_{\substack{\mathbf{t} \in \Lambda(n,m) \\ \forall u \neq i+1, t_{u} \leqslant a_{i+1, u} \\ \forall u \neq i}} \varepsilon^{\beta(\mathbf{t},A)} \prod_{1 \leqslant u \leqslant n} \begin{bmatrix} a_{i,u} + t_{u} \\ t_{u} \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \left[ A + \sum_{1 \leqslant u \leqslant n} t_{u} (E_{i,u} - E_{i+1,u}) \right]_{\varepsilon}$$

where  $\beta(\mathbf{t},A) = \sum_{j>u} a_{i,j}t_u - \sum_{j>u} a_{i+1,j}t_u + \sum_{u< u'} t_ut_{u'}$ . Assume that  $A + \sum_u t_u(E_{i,u} - E_{i+1,u}) \notin \widetilde{\Theta}(n)_h$  for some  $\mathbf{t}$ ; then  $a_{i,u} + t_u \geqslant lp^{h-1}$  for some  $u \neq i$ . Since  $0 \leqslant a_{i,u}, t_u < lp^{h-1}$ , by 3.4, we conclude that  $\begin{bmatrix} a_{i,u}+t_u \\ t_u \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = 0$  and hence  $[B]_{\varepsilon} \cdot [A]_{\varepsilon} \in \mathcal{K}(n)_h$ . Similarly, we have  $[C]_{\varepsilon} \cdot [A]_{\varepsilon} \in \mathcal{K}(n)_h$ , where C is such that  $C - mE_{i+1,i}$  is a diagonal matrix such that  $\mathrm{co}(C) = \mathrm{ro}(A)$ . Now using [1, 4.6(c)], (1) can be proved in a way similar to the proof of [1, 6.2].

According to [1, 4.6(a), (b)] and 3.3 we see that  $\tau_D([A']_{\varepsilon}[A]_{\varepsilon}) = \tau_D([A']_{\varepsilon})\tau_D([A]_{\varepsilon})$  for any A' of the form B, C as above. Since  $\mathcal{K}(n)_h$  is generated by elements like  $[B]_{\varepsilon}$ ,  $[C]_{\varepsilon}$  above, we conclude that  $\tau_D$  is an algebra homomorphism.

Let  $\widetilde{\Theta}'(n)_h$  be the set of all  $n \times n$  matrices  $A = (a_{i,j})$  with  $a_{i,j} \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a_{i,j} < lp^{h-1}$  for all  $i \neq j$  and  $a_{i,i} \in \mathbb{Z}/l'p^{h-1}\mathbb{Z}$  for all i. We have an obvious map  $pr : \widetilde{\Theta}(n)_h \to \widetilde{\Theta}'(n)_h$  defined by reducing the diagonal entries modulo  $l'p^{h-1}\mathbb{Z}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{K}'(n)_h$  be the free k-module with basis  $\{[A]_{\varepsilon} \mid A \in \widetilde{\Theta}'(n)_h\}$ . We shall define an algebra structure on  $\mathcal{K}'(n)_h$  as follows. If the column sums of A are not equal to the row sums of A' (as integers modulo  $l'p^{h-1}$ ), then the product  $[A]_{\varepsilon} \cdot [A']_{\varepsilon}$  for  $A, A' \in \widetilde{\Theta}'(n)_h$  is zero. Assume now that the column sums of A are equal to the row sums of A' (as integers modulo  $l'p^{h-1}$ ). We can then represent A, A' by elements  $\widetilde{A}, \widetilde{A}' \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)_h$  such that the column sums of  $\widetilde{A}$  are equal to the row sums of  $\widetilde{A}'$  (as integers). According to 4.1(1), we can write  $[\widetilde{A}]_{\varepsilon} \cdot [\widetilde{A}']_{\varepsilon} = \sum_{\widetilde{A}'' \in I} \rho_{\widetilde{A}''} [\widetilde{A}'']_{\varepsilon}$ 

(product in  $\mathscr{K}(n)_h$ ) where  $I = \{\widetilde{A}'' \in \widetilde{\Theta}(n)_h \mid \operatorname{ro}(\widetilde{A}'') = \operatorname{ro}(\widetilde{A}), \operatorname{co}(\widetilde{A}'') = \operatorname{co}(\widetilde{A}')\}$  (a finite set) and  $\rho_{\widetilde{A}''} \in \mathcal{K}$ . Then the product  $[A]_{\varepsilon} \cdot [A']_{\varepsilon}$  is defined to be  $\sum_{\widetilde{A}'' \in I} \rho_{\widetilde{A}''}[pr(\widetilde{A}'')]_{\varepsilon}$ . From 4.1(2) we see that the product is well defined and  $\mathscr{K}'(n)_h$  becomes an associative algebra over  $\mathcal{K}$ .

In the case where l' is odd, the algebra  $\mathcal{K}'(n)_1$  is the algebra  $\mathcal{K}'$  constructed in [1, 6.3]. Furthermore, it was remarked at the end of [1] that  $\mathcal{K}'$  is "essentially" the algebra defined in [17, §5] for type A. We will prove in 5.5 that  $\mathcal{K}'(n)_h$  is isomorphic to the algebra  $\mathbf{u}_{\ell}(n)_h$  in the case where l' is odd.

Mimicking the construction of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$ , we define  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\ell}(n)$  to be the  $\ell$ -module of all formal  $\ell$ -linear combinations  $\sum_{A\in\widetilde{\Theta}(n)}\beta_A[A]_{\varepsilon}$  satisfying the property (2.1.1). The product of two elements  $\sum_{A\in\widetilde{\Theta}(n)}\beta_A[A]_{\varepsilon}$ ,  $\sum_{B\in\widetilde{\Theta}(n)}\gamma_B[B]_{\varepsilon}$  in  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\ell}(n)$  is defined to be  $\sum_{A,B}\beta_A\gamma_B[A]_{\varepsilon}\cdot[B]_{\varepsilon}$  where  $[A]_{\varepsilon}\cdot[B]_{\varepsilon}$  is the product in  $\mathcal{K}_{\ell}(n)$ . Then  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\ell}(n)$  becomes an associative algebra over  $\ell$ .

We end this section by interpreting  $\mathscr{K}'(n)_h$  as a k-subalgebra of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_k(n)$ . For  $h \geqslant 1$  let  $\mathbb{Z}_{l'p^{h-1}} = \mathbb{Z}/l'p^{h-1}\mathbb{Z}$  and let  $\bar{z} : \mathbb{Z}^n \to (\mathbb{Z}_{l'p^{h-1}})^n$  be the map defined by  $\overline{(j_1, j_2, \cdots, j_n)} = (\overline{j_1}, \overline{j_2}, \cdots, \overline{j_n})$ . For  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$  and  $\bar{\mu} \in (\mathbb{Z}_{l'p^{h-1}})^n$  let

$$[A + \operatorname{diag}(\bar{\mu})]_h = \sum_{\substack{\nu \in \mathbb{Z}^n \\ \bar{\mu} = \bar{\nu}}} [A + \operatorname{diag}(\nu)]_{\varepsilon}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{W}_{\ell}(n)_h$  be the  $\ell$ -submodule of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\ell}(n)$  spanned by the set  $\{[\![A+\operatorname{diag}(\bar{\lambda})]\!]_h \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h, \bar{\lambda} \in (\mathbb{Z}_{l'p^{h-1}})^n\}$ . From 4.1 we see that  $\mathcal{W}_{\ell}(n)_h$  is a  $\ell$ -subalgebra of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\ell}(n)$ . Furthermore, it is easy to prove that there is an algebra isomorphism

$$(4.1.2) W_{\xi}(n)_h \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathscr{K}'(n)_h$$

defined by sending  $[\![A]\!]_h$  to  $[A]_{\varepsilon}$  for  $A \in \widetilde{\Theta}'(n)_h$ .

5. Realization of  $\mathbf{u}_{k}(n)_{h}$ 

For  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n$  let

$$A(\delta,\lambda)_{\varepsilon} = \sum_{\mu \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \varepsilon^{\mu \cdot \delta} \begin{bmatrix} \mu \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} [A + \operatorname{diag}(\mu)]_{\varepsilon} \in \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{k}(n).$$

Let  $\mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)$  be the  $\ell$ -submodule of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\ell}(n)$  spanned by the elements  $A(\delta,\lambda)_{\varepsilon}$  for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n$ . For  $h \geqslant 1$  let  $\mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)_h$  be the  $\ell$ -submodule of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\ell}(n)$  spanned by the elements  $A(\delta,\lambda)_{\varepsilon}$  for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}$ . We will prove in 5.5 that  $\mathbf{u}_{\ell}(n)_h \cong \mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)_h \cong \mathcal{K}'(n)_h$  in the case where  $\ell$  is even and  $\ell$  is a field.

Let  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$  be the  $\mathcal{Z}$ -submodule of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$  consisting of the elements  $\sum_{A\in\widetilde{\Theta}(n)}\beta_A[A]$  with  $\beta_A\in\mathcal{Z}$ . Then  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$  is a  $\mathcal{Z}$ -subalgebra of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$ . There is a natural algebra homomorphism

$$\theta: \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n) \otimes_{\mathcal{Z}} \mathcal{K} \to \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{K}}(n)$$

defined by sending  $(\sum_{A\in\widetilde{\Theta}(n)}\beta_A[A])\otimes 1$  to  $\sum_{A\in\widetilde{\Theta}(n)}(\beta_A\cdot 1)[A]_{\varepsilon}$ , where 1 is the identity element in f.

Recall the injective algebra homomorphism  $\varphi: U_{\mathcal{Q}}(n) \to \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n)$  defined in 2.2. From 2.3 we see that  $\varphi(U_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)) \subseteq \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$ . Thus, by restriction, we get a map  $\varphi: U_{\mathcal{Z}}(n) \to \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)$ . It induces an algebra homomorphism  $\varphi_{\ell}: U_{\ell}(n) \to \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n) \otimes_{\mathcal{Z}} \ell$ . The map  $\theta$ , composed with  $\varphi_{\ell}$  gives an algebra homomorphism

(5.0.3) 
$$\xi := \theta \circ \varphi_{\xi} : U_{\xi}(n) \to \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\xi}(n).$$

By definition we have  $\xi(A(\delta,\lambda)) = A(\delta,\lambda)_{\varepsilon}$  for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n$ . This together with 2.3 and 3.6 implies that

(5.0.4) 
$$\xi(U_{\ell}(n)) = \mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n) \text{ and } \xi(\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{\ell}(n)_h) = \mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)_h.$$

In particular,  $\mathcal{V}_{k}(n)$  and  $\mathcal{V}_{k}(n)_{h}$  are all k-subalgebras of  $\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{k}(n)$ .

We will now construct several bases for  $\mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)_h$  and  $\mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)$  in 5.1 and 5.3. These results will be used to prove 5.5. According to 3.3 we see that  $\begin{bmatrix} \nu \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \nu + l'p^{h-1}\delta \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon}$  for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}_{lp^{h-1}}^n$  and  $\nu, \delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ . This implies that

(5.0.5) 
$$A(\delta, \lambda)_{\varepsilon} = \sum_{\bar{\mu} \in (\mathbb{Z}_{\nu, h-1})^n} \varepsilon^{\delta \cdot \mu} \begin{bmatrix} \mu \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} [A + \operatorname{diag}(\bar{\mu})]_h$$

for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}$ , where  $[\![A+\operatorname{diag}(\bar{\mu})]\!]_h$  is defined in (4.1.1). For  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{N}^n$ , we write  $\lambda \leqslant \mu$  if and only if  $\lambda_i \leqslant \mu_i$  for  $1 \leqslant i \leqslant n$ . If  $\lambda \leqslant \mu$  and  $\lambda_i < \mu_i$  for some  $1 \leqslant i \leqslant n$  then we write  $\lambda < \mu$ .

**Lemma 5.1.** Assume l' is odd. Then  $\mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)_h = \mathcal{W}_{\ell}(n)_h$  and the set  $\mathcal{N}_h := \{A(\mathbf{0}, \lambda)_{\varepsilon} \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h, \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}\}$  forms a  $\ell$ -basis for  $\mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)_h$ . Furthermore, if p > 0, then the set  $\mathcal{N} := \{A(\mathbf{0}, \lambda) \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n), \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n\}$  forms a  $\ell$ -basis for  $\mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)$ .

*Proof.* From (5.0.5) we see that for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}_{ln^{h-1}}^n$ ,

$$A(\mathbf{0},\lambda)_{\varepsilon} = [\![A + \operatorname{diag}(\bar{\lambda})]\!]_h + \sum_{\mu \in \mathbb{N}_{i,h-1}^n, \, \lambda < \mu} \left[\![\mu]_{\lambda}\right]_{\varepsilon} [\![A + \operatorname{diag}(\bar{\mu})]\!]_h.$$

This, together with the fact that the set  $\mathcal{L}_h$  forms a k-basis for  $\mathcal{W}_k(n)_h$ , shows that the set  $\mathcal{N}_h$  forms a k-basis for  $\mathcal{W}_k(n)_h$ . It follows that  $\mathcal{W}_k(n)_h \subseteq \mathcal{V}_k(n)_h$ . Furthermore from (5.0.5) we see that  $\mathcal{V}_k(n)_h \subseteq \mathcal{W}_k(n)_h$ . Thus  $\mathcal{V}_k(n)_h = \mathcal{W}_k(n)_h$ . Now we assume  $p = \operatorname{char} k > 0$ . Since  $\mathcal{V}_k(n) = \bigcup_{h\geqslant 1} \mathcal{V}_k(n)_h$ ,  $\mathcal{N} = \bigcup_{h\geqslant 1} \mathcal{N}_h$  and the set  $\mathcal{N}_h$  forms a k-basis for  $\mathcal{V}_k(n)_h$ , we conclude that the set  $\mathcal{N}_h$  forms a k-basis for  $\mathcal{V}_k(n)_h$ .

**Lemma 5.2.** For  $m \ge 1$ , let  $X_m = ((-1)^{\delta \cdot \beta})_{\delta,\beta \in \mathcal{I}_m}$ , where  $\mathcal{I}_m = \{\delta \in \mathbb{N}^m \mid \delta_i \in \{0,1\} \text{ for } 1 \le i \le m\}$ . If we order the set  $\mathcal{I}_m$  lexicographically, then  $\det(X_m) = (-2)^m$  for all m.

*Proof.* Since  $\mathcal{I}_m = \{(0, \delta) \mid \delta \in \mathcal{I}_{m-1}\} \cup \{(1, \delta) \mid \delta \in \mathcal{I}_{m-1}\}$  we see that

$$X_m = \begin{pmatrix} X_{m-1} & X_{m-1} \\ X_{m-1} & -X_{m-1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

This, together with the fact that  $det(X_1) = -2$ , implies that

$$\det(X_m) = \det\begin{pmatrix} X_{m-1} & X_{m-1} \\ 0 & -2X_{m-1} \end{pmatrix} = -2\det(X_{m-1})^2 = (-2)^{2^m - 1}$$

as required.

Corollary 5.3. Assume l' is even and k is a field. Then  $\mathcal{V}_{k}(n)_{h} = \mathcal{W}_{k}(n)_{h}$  and the set  $\mathcal{B}_{h} := \{A(\delta,\lambda)_{\varepsilon} \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_{h}, \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \delta \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \delta_{i} \in \{0,1\}, \forall i\}$  forms a k-basis for  $\mathcal{V}_{k}(n)_{h}$ . Furthermore, if p > 0, then the set  $\mathcal{B} := \{A(\delta,\lambda) \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n), \lambda, \delta \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \delta_{i} \in \{0,1\}, \forall i\}$  forms a k-basis for  $\mathcal{V}_{k}(n)$ .

Proof. Note that there is a bijective map from  $\{(\delta,\lambda) \mid \delta \in \mathbb{N}^n, \delta_i \in \{0,1\}, \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}\}$  to  $(\mathbb{Z}_{l'p^{h-1}})^n$  defined by sending  $(\delta,\lambda)$  to  $\overline{\lambda + lp^{h-1}\delta}$ . Thus by (5.0.5) and 3.3 we conclude that for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}$  and  $\delta \in \mathbb{N}^n$ 

$$\begin{split} A(\delta,\lambda)_{\varepsilon} &= \sum_{\substack{\beta \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \, \beta_{i} \in \{0,1\}, \, \forall i \\ \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{n}_{lp^{h-1}}}} \varepsilon^{\delta \boldsymbol{\cdot} (\alpha + lp^{h-1}\beta)} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha + lp^{h-1}\beta \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \llbracket A + \operatorname{diag}(\overline{\alpha + lp^{h-1}\beta}) \rrbracket_{h} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\beta \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \, \beta_{i} \in \{0,1\}, \, \forall i \\ \alpha \in \mathbb{N}^{n}_{lp^{h-1}}}} \varepsilon^{\delta \boldsymbol{\cdot} \alpha} \varepsilon^{lp^{h-1}(\delta \boldsymbol{\cdot} \beta - \beta \boldsymbol{\cdot} \lambda)} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \llbracket A + \operatorname{diag}(\overline{\alpha + lp^{h-1}\beta}) \rrbracket_{h}. \end{split}$$

Since l' is even and (l',p)=1 we see that p is an odd prime. This, together with the fact that  $\varepsilon^l=-1$ , implies that  $\varepsilon^{lp^{h-1}}=(-1)^{p^{h-1}}=-1$ . Thus for  $A\in\Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$ ,  $\lambda\in\mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}$  and  $\delta\in\mathbb{N}^n$  we have

$$(5.3.1) A(\delta,\lambda)_{\varepsilon} = \sum_{\substack{\beta \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \beta_{i} \in \{0,1\}, \forall i \\ \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_{lph-1}^{n}}} \varepsilon^{\delta \cdot \alpha} (-1)^{\beta \cdot (\delta - \lambda)} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \llbracket A + \operatorname{diag}(\overline{\alpha + lp^{h-1}\beta}) \rrbracket_{h}$$

$$= \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \beta_{i} \in \{0,1\}, \forall i} \varepsilon^{\delta \cdot \lambda} (-1)^{\beta \cdot (\delta - \lambda)} \llbracket A + \operatorname{diag}(\overline{\lambda + lp^{h-1}\beta}) \rrbracket_{h}$$

$$+ \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \beta_{i} \in \{0,1\}, \forall i \atop \alpha \in \mathbb{N}_{lph-1}^{n}, \lambda < \alpha}} \varepsilon^{\delta \cdot \alpha} (-1)^{\beta \cdot (\delta - \lambda)} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} \llbracket A + \operatorname{diag}(\overline{\alpha + lp^{h-1}\beta}) \rrbracket_{h}.$$

From 5.2 we see that for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}$ ,

$$\det(\varepsilon^{\delta \cdot \lambda}(-1)^{\beta \cdot (\delta - \lambda)})_{\delta, \beta \in \mathcal{I}_n} = (-\varepsilon)^{\sum_{\delta \in \mathcal{I}_n} \lambda \cdot \delta}(-2)^{2^n - 1} = (-\varepsilon)^{\sum_{\delta \in \mathcal{I}_n} \lambda \cdot \delta}(\varepsilon^l - 1)^{2^n - 1} \neq 0,$$

where  $\mathcal{I}_n = \{\delta \in \mathbb{N}^n \mid \delta_i \in \{0,1\} \text{ for } 1 \leqslant i \leqslant n\}$ . It follows that the martix  $(\varepsilon^{\delta,\lambda}(-1)^{\beta,(\delta-\lambda)})_{\delta,\beta\in\mathcal{I}_n}$  is invertible since k is a field. Thus by (5.3.1) we conclude that the set  $\mathcal{B}_h$  forms a k-basis for

 $\mathcal{W}_{\ell}(n)_h$  and  $\mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)_h = \mathcal{W}_{\ell}(n)_h$ . Now we assume  $p = \operatorname{char} \ell > 0$ . Then  $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup_{h \geqslant 1} \mathcal{B}_h$ . Since the set  $\mathcal{B}_h$  is linear independent for all h, we conclude that the set  $\mathcal{B}$  is linear independent. Consequently, the set  $\mathcal{B}$  forms a  $\ell$ -basis for  $\mathcal{V}_{\ell}(n)$ .

We are now ready to prove the main result of this paper.

**Theorem 5.4.** (1) If l' is odd, then  $\ker(\xi) = \langle K_i^l - 1 \mid 1 \leqslant i \leqslant n \rangle$  and hence  $U_{\xi}(n)/\langle K_i^l - 1 \mid 1 \leqslant i \leqslant n \rangle \cong \mathcal{V}_{\xi}(n)$ .

(2) If l' is even and  $\xi$  is a field with  $p = \operatorname{char} \xi > 0$ , then  $\xi$  is injective and hence  $U_{\xi}(n) \cong \mathcal{V}_{\xi}(n)$ .

*Proof.* The assertion (1) can be proved in a way similar to the proof of [15, 4.6]. The assertion (2) follows from 2.3, 5.3 and (5.0.4).  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 5.5.** (1) If l' is odd, then  $u_k(n)_h \cong \mathcal{V}_k(n)_h \cong \mathcal{K}'(n)_h$  for  $h \geqslant 1$ .

(2) If l' is even and k is a field, then  $\widetilde{u}_k(n)_h \cong \mathcal{V}_k(n)_h \cong \mathcal{K}'(n)_h$  for  $h \geqslant 1$ .

*Proof.* If either l' is odd or both l' is even and  $\xi$  is a field, then by (4.1.2), 5.1 and 5.3, we deduce that  $\mathcal{V}_{\xi}(n)_h \cong \mathcal{K}'(n)_h$ . If l' is odd, then  $\xi(K_i^l - 1) = 0$  and hence the map  $\xi: U_{\xi}(n) \to \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\xi}(n)$  induces an algebra homomorphism

$$\bar{\xi}: U_{\ell}(n)/\langle K_i^l - 1 \mid 1 \leqslant i \leqslant n \rangle \to \widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{\ell}(n).$$

One can prove that the set  $\{E^{(A^+)}\prod_{1\leqslant i\leqslant n}K_i^{-\lambda_i}{K_i^{-\lambda_i}}[K_i^{-\lambda_i}]F^{(A^-)}\mid A\in\Theta^\pm(n)_h, \lambda\in\mathbb{N}^n_{lp^{h-1}}\}$  forms a k-basis of  $\mathfrak{u}_k(n)_h$  in a way similar to the proof of [17, 6.5]. Thus we may regard  $\mathfrak{u}_k(n)_h$  as a k-subalgebra of  $U_k(n)/\langle K_i^l-1\mid 1\leqslant i\leqslant n\rangle$ . From (5.0.4) we see that  $\bar{\xi}(\mathfrak{u}_k(n)_h)=\mathcal{V}_k(n)_h$ . Thus the restriction of  $\bar{\xi}$  to  $\mathfrak{u}_k(n)_h$  yields a surjective algebra homomorphism

$$\bar{\xi}': \mathbf{u}_{k}(n)_{h} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{V}_{k}(n)_{h}.$$

This, together with 5.4(1), implies that  $\mathbf{u}_{\xi}(n)_h \cong \mathcal{V}_{\xi}(n)_h$ . Now we assume l' is even and  $\xi$  is a field. Since  $\xi(\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{\xi}(n)_h) = \mathcal{V}_{\xi}(n)_h$  by (5.0.4), the restriction of  $\xi$  to  $\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{\xi}(n)_h$  yields a surjective algebra homomorphism

$$\xi': \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{k}(n)_{h} \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{V}_{k}(n)_{h}.$$

From 3.7 and 5.3 we see that  $\xi'$  is injective. Consequently,  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{\xi}(n)_h \cong \mathcal{V}_{\xi}(n)_h$ .

6. The infinitesimal q-Schur algebras and little q-Schur algebras

Let  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n,r)$  be the algebra over  $\mathcal{Z}$  introduced in [1, 1.2]. It has a  $\mathcal{Z}$ -basis  $\{[A] \mid A \in \Theta(n,r)\}$  defined in [1], where  $\Theta(n,r) = \{A \in \Theta(n) \mid \sigma(A) := \sum_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} a_{i,j} = r\}$ . It is proved in [8, A.1] that the algebra  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n,r)$  is isomorphic to the q-Schur algebra introduced in [4, 5]. Let  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{E}}(n,r) = \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n,r) \otimes_{\mathcal{Z}} \mathcal{E}$ . For  $A \in \Theta(n,r)$  let

$$[A]_{\varepsilon} = [A] \otimes 1 \in \mathcal{S}_{k}(n,r).$$

Let  $\Lambda(n,r) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n \mid \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} \lambda_i = r\}$  and  $\overline{\Lambda(n,r)}_{l'p^{h-1}} = \{\overline{\lambda} \in (\mathbb{Z}_{l'p^{h-1}})^n \mid \lambda \in \Lambda(n,r)\}.$ For  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$  and  $\overline{\lambda} \in (\mathbb{Z}_{l'p^{h-1}})^n$  we define the element  $[\![A + \operatorname{diag}(\overline{\lambda}), r]\!]_h \in \mathcal{S}_{\xi}(n,r)$  as follows:

$$\llbracket A + \operatorname{diag}(\overline{\lambda}), r \rrbracket_h = \begin{cases} \sum_{\substack{\mu \in \Lambda(n, r - \sigma(A)) \\ \overline{\mu} = \overline{\lambda}}} [A + \operatorname{diag}(\mu)]_{\varepsilon} & \text{if } \sigma(A) \leqslant r \text{ and } \overline{\lambda} \in \overline{\Lambda(n, r - \sigma(A))}_{l'p^{h-1}}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}(n,r)_{h}$  be the k-submodule of  $\mathcal{S}_{k}(n,r)$  spanned by the set  $\{ [A + \operatorname{diag}(\overline{\lambda}), r]_{h} \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_{h}, \overline{\lambda} \in (\mathbb{Z}_{l'p^{h-1}})^{n} \}$ . According to [12, 4.8],  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}(n,r)_{h}$  is a k-subalgebra of  $\mathcal{S}_{k}(n,r)$ . Note that the algebra  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}(n,r)_{1}$  is the little q-Schur algebra introduced in [11, 14]. We will prove in 6.1 that the algebra  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}(n,r)_{h}$  is a homomorphic image of  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{u}}_{k}(n)_{h}$ .

Let 
$$\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n,r) = \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n,r) \otimes_{\mathcal{Z}} \mathbb{Q}(v)$$
. For  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)$ ,  $\delta \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  let

$$A(\delta,r) = \sum_{\mu \in \Lambda(n,r-\sigma(A))} v^{\mu \centerdot \delta} [A + \operatorname{diag}(\mu)] \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n,r).$$

According to [1], there is an algebra epimorphism

$$\zeta_r: U_{\mathcal{O}}(n) \twoheadrightarrow \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{O}}(n,r)$$

satisfying  $\zeta_r(E_i) = E_{i,i+1}(\mathbf{0},r)$ ,  $\zeta_r(K_1^{j_1}K_2^{j_2}\cdots K_n^{j_n}) = 0(\mathbf{j},r)$  and  $\zeta_r(F_i) = E_{i+1,i}(\mathbf{0},r)$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$  and  $\mathbf{j} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ . It is proved in [9] that  $\zeta_r(U_{\mathcal{Z}}(n)) = \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n,r)$ . By restriction, the map  $\zeta_r: U_{\mathcal{Q}}(n) \to \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Q}}(n,r)$  induces a surjective algebra homomorphism  $\zeta_r: U_{\mathcal{Z}}(n) \to \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n,r)$ . The map  $\zeta_r: U_{\mathcal{Z}}(n) \to \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n,r)$  induces an algebra homomorphism

$$\zeta_{r,k} := \zeta_r \otimes id : U_k(n) \to \mathcal{S}_k(n,r).$$

**Proposition 6.1.** If either l' is odd or both l' is even and k is a field then  $\zeta_{r,k}(\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(n)_h) = \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_k(n,r)_h$ .

*Proof.* According to [10, 6.7], there is a surjective algebra homomorphism

$$\dot{\zeta}_r: \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n) \to \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{Z}}(n,r)$$

such that

$$\dot{\zeta}_r([A]) = \begin{cases} [A] & \text{if } A \in \Theta(n,r); \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The map  $\dot{\zeta}_r$  induces a surjective algebra homomorphism

$$\hat{\zeta}_{r,k}: \hat{\mathcal{K}}_k(n) \to \mathcal{S}_k(n,r)$$

defined by sending  $\sum_{A\in\widetilde{\Theta}(n)}\beta_A[A]_{\varepsilon}$  to  $\sum_{A\in\Theta(n,r)}\beta_A[A]_{\varepsilon}$ . It is easy to see that

(6.1.1) 
$$\zeta_{r,k} = \hat{\zeta}_{r,k} \circ \xi$$

where  $\xi$  is given in (5.0.3). This together with (5.0.4) implies that  $\zeta_{r,k}(\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{k}(n)_{h}) = \widehat{\dot{\zeta}}_{r,k}(\mathcal{V}_{k}(n)_{h})$ . Clearly, for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_{h}$  and  $\bar{\lambda} \in (\mathbb{Z}_{l'p^{h-1}})^{n}$ , we have  $\widehat{\dot{\zeta}}_{r,k}(\llbracket A + \operatorname{diag}(\bar{\lambda}) \rrbracket_{h}) = \llbracket A + \operatorname{diag}(\bar{\lambda}), r \rrbracket_{h}$ . Combining these facts with 5.1 and 5.3 gives the result.

Let  $\mathbf{s}_{\ell}(n,r)_h$  be the the infinitesimal q-Schur algebra introduced in [2, 3]. The algebra  $\mathbf{s}_{\ell}(n,r)_h$  is a certain  $\ell$ -subalgebra of the q-Schur algebra  $\mathcal{S}_{\ell}(n,r)$ . According to [2, 5.3.1], we have the following result.

**Lemma 6.2.** The set  $\{[A]_{\varepsilon} \mid A \in \Theta(n,r)_h\}$  forms a k-basis of  $\mathbf{s}_k(n,r)_h$ .

For  $h \geqslant 1$  let  $\mathbf{s}_{\ell}(n)_h$  be the  $\ell$ -subalgebra of  $U_{\ell}(n)$  generated by the elements  $E_i^{(m)}$ ,  $F_i^{(m)}$ ,  $K_j^{\pm 1}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} K_j;0 \\ t \end{bmatrix}$  for  $1 \leqslant i \leqslant n-1$ ,  $1 \leqslant j \leqslant n$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 \leqslant m < lp^{h-1}$ . We will prove in 6.4 that the algebra  $\mathbf{s}_{\ell}(n,r)_h$  is a homomorphic image of  $\mathbf{s}_{\ell}(n)_h$ .

**Lemma 6.3.** Each of the following set forms a k-basis for  $s_k(n)_h$ :

- (1)  $\{E^{(A^+)}\prod_{1 \leq i \leq n} K_i^{\delta_i} {K_i^{\delta_i}} [K_i^{(A^-)}] F^{(A^-)} \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h, \ \delta \in \mathbb{N}^n, \ \delta_i \in \{0, 1\}, \ \forall i, \ \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n\};$
- (2)  $\{A(\delta,\lambda) \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h, \, \delta, \lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n, \, \delta_i \in \{0,1\}, \, \forall i\}.$

*Proof.* The assertion can be proved in a way similar to the proof of 3.7.

**Proposition 6.4.** We have  $\zeta_{r,k}(s_k(n)_h) = s_k(n,r)_h$ .

*Proof.* From 6.1.1 we see that

$$\zeta_{r,k}(A(\delta,\lambda)) = \widehat{\dot{\zeta}}_{r,k}(A(\delta,\lambda)_{\varepsilon}) = A(\delta,\lambda,r)_{\varepsilon}$$

for all  $A, \delta, \lambda$ , where  $A(\delta, \lambda, r)_{\varepsilon} = \sum_{\mu \in \Lambda(n, r - \sigma(A))} \varepsilon^{\mu \cdot \delta} \begin{bmatrix} \mu \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix}_{\varepsilon} [A + \operatorname{diag}(\mu)]_{\varepsilon} \in \mathcal{S}_{k}(n, r)$ . Thus by 6.2 and 6.4 we conclude that

$$\zeta_{r,k}(\mathbf{s}_{k}(n)_{h}) = \operatorname{span}_{k}\{A(\delta,\lambda,r)_{\varepsilon} \mid A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_{h}, \, \delta,\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^{n}, \, \delta_{i} \in \{0,1\}, \, \forall i\} \subseteq \mathbf{s}_{k}(n,r)_{h}.$$

On the other hand, for  $A \in \Theta^{\pm}(n)_h$  and  $\mu \in \Lambda(n, r - \sigma(A))$  we have  $[A + \operatorname{diag}(\mu)] = A(\mathbf{0}, \mu, r) \in \zeta_{r, k}(\mathbf{s}_k(n)_h)$ . This implies that  $\mathbf{s}_k(n, r)_h \subseteq \zeta_{r, k}(\mathbf{s}_k(n)_h)$ . The assertion follows.

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